**HON'BLE SHRI G.S. SINGHVI, THE CHIEF JUSTICE**
**AND**
**HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE G.V. SEETHAPATHY**

**WRIT PETITION NO. 14559 OF 2006**

**BETWEEN**

Gudipati Sivarama Krishna

**.....**

**Petitioner**

**And**

The District Election Officer cum District Collector,
Cuddapah & others.

**.....Respondents**

**::O R D E R ::**

Counsel for the Petitioner : Smt. Uma Devi

Counsel for Respondent Nos. 1 and 3 : Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj

Counsel for Respondent No.2 : None

**Dated:** 21.07.2006

**Per G.S. SINGHVI, CJ**

In this petition, the petitioner has prayed for issue of a

direction to the respondents to include his name in the electoral roll of Bayanapalli Village and allow him to cast vote in the forthcoming election of Gram Panchayat Bayanapalli. Another prayer made by him is to direct the respondents to enable him to contest the election to the office of Sarpanch of Bayanapalli Village.

Although the State Election Commission has not been impleaded as a party to the writ petition, Shri V.V.P.Rao, counsel representing the Commission says that on enquiry, the petitioner's claim has been found to be genuine. According to him, the petitioner's name will be included in the voters' list and he will be allowed to participate in the process of election to be held hereinafter.

In view of the above statement of the learned counsel for the State Election Commission, the writ petition is disposed of as infructuous with liberty to the petitioner to avail appropriate legal remedy against the wrongful denial, if any, of his right to contest election to the office of Sarpanch.

**G.S. SINGHVI, CJ**

**G.V. SEETHAPATHY, J**

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